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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, §1.97-1.98, Applicants hereby call the following copending and commonly assigned patent applications to the Examiner's attention:

- U.S. Patent Application No. 09/725,200 to KOBAYASHI et al., entitled "Electronic Endoscope System", which was filed on November 29, 2000; and
- U.S. Patent Application No. 09/758,180 to KOBAYASHI et al., entitled "Electronic Endoscope System", which was filed on January 12, 2001.

Copies of the above-noted applications, as filed, are attached hereto.

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Should there be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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